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1. THREE REPRESENTATIVES OF ALGERIAN PRESIDENT BEN BELLA, WHO
HAD MET ON 26 MARCH 1965 WITH THE OPPONENT LEADER MOHAMED
KHIDER, RETURNED TO MADRID ON THE EVENING OF 5 APRIL FOR A SECOND MEETING
WITH KHIDER. THE THREE WERE MOHAMED LEBJAUI, CHIEF OF THE ALGERIAN
SPECIAL SERVICES; AIT HOCEINE, VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE ASSEMBLY AND
MEMBER OF THE POLITICAL BUREAU; AND ZOUBIR BUADJAJ. THEY HAD BEEN
COMMISSIONED BY BEN BELLA TO INTERVIEW KHIDER IN ORDER TO SEARCH FOR
A POSSIBLE SOLUTION TO THE THORNY QUESTION OF THE FUNDS BELONGING TO
THE ALGERIAN NATIONAL LIBERATION FRONT (FLN).

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2. THE ALGERIAN MISSION MET WITH KHIDER ON THE AFTERNOON OF 6 APRIL, ALONG WITH THE SWISS BANKER FRANCOIS GENOUD, DIRECTOR OF THE BANCA POPULAR ARABE IN ALGIERS, AND ADMINISTRATOR OF THE BANCA COMERCIAL ARABE OF GENEVA. AFTER HAVING SPENT SEVERAL MONTHS IN PRISON IN ALGERIA, GENOUD HAD BEEN RELEASED AND AUTHORIZED TO LEAVE THE COUNTRY.

3. DURING THE EARLIER MEETING, KHIDER HAD PUT FORTH AS AN ABSOLUTE CONDITION FOR FURTHER NEGOTIATIONS THAT BEN BELLA MAKE A PUBLIC DECLARATION RETRACTING THE CLAIMS HE MADE ON 5 JULY 1964, IN WHICH HE ACCUSED KHIDER OF LACK OF HONOR AND OF "THIEVERY." THE 6 APRIL MEETING CONCERNED THIS POINT EXCLUSIVELY, WITH THE BEN BELLA EMISSARIES STATING THAT THE ALGERIAN PRESIDENT IS, IN PRINCIPLE, WILLING TO MAKE THE RETRACTION OF HIS STATEMENT. HE WOULD, HOWEVER, HAVE TO AWAIT A PROPITIOUS TIME TO DO THIS.

4. THEY SUGGESTED TO KHIDER THAT HE COULD SHOW HIS DESIRE TO ARRIVE AT AN AGREEMENT BY TAKING NO ACTION - SUCH AS INVESTIGATIONS IN THE COUNTERREVOLUTION - WITH THE FUNDS IN LITIGATION. KHIDER FLATLY REFUSED, SINCE THIS WOULD HOLD NO COUNTERPART OR GUARANTEE FOR HIM. THE MATTER WAS LEFT AT THIS, AND KHIDER REITERATED THAT HIS POLITICAL POSTURE WOULD NOT CHANGE EVEN IF THE PROBLEM OF THE LITIGATED FUNDS WERE SETTLED. KHIDER TOLD THE REPRESENTATIVES THAT IF BEN BELLA REALLY WANTED TO SETTLE THE INTERNAL ALGERIAN PROBLEMS, HE COULD NOT UNDERSTAND THE ADVANTAGES TO BE GAINED BY THE CURRENT TRIAL OF ALT AHMED.

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5. THE BEN BELLA MISSION DID NOT LEAVE SPAIN IMMEDIATELY AFTER THIS MEETING, AS THEY PLANNED TO VISIT SEVERAL CITIES IN SOUTHERN SPAIN. KHIDER DEPARTED MADRID ON 8 APRIL FOR SWITZERLAND, WHERE HE WILL REMAIN UNTIL 11 OR 12 APRIL. THE SWISS AUTHORITIES GRANTED HIM PERMISSION FOR THIS TRIP AT THE REQUEST OF HIS LAWYER.

6. (C) (2) COMMENTS: THE FIRST APPROACH TO KHIDER TO HAVE THE BEN BELLA MISSION WAS REPORTED IN OSM 6686 (TDCS-314/01, 1969, FROM THE SAME SOURCE.)

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